

**Dairy** farms today depend upon the specialized knowledge and skills of farm workers. Individuals interested in working in the dairy industry can receive such specialized training through a course developed at the Kemptville College of Agricultural Technology. The College is located in Kemptville, Ontario, 30 miles south of Ottawa. Course instructors are drawn from college faculty, farmers (both part-time and full-time) and allied industry personnel.

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The course consists of 4 weeks of classroom studies covering the feeding of livestock, feed rationing, breeding methods, animal health, disease problems, the use and operation of machinery, soil and crop production and farm safety.

In addition, there is 6 weeks of on-the-farm practical training. Under the guidance of the host farmer, the trainee will learn different milking systems and techniques, the care of livestock and related duties.

# **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

An individual wishing to take this course must have a genuine interest and desire to learn more about agriculture. He/she must be at least 17 years of age, and have been out of school for a year.

#### TRAINING ALLOWANCE

A qualified individual may be eligible for a Canada Manpower Training Allowance. Decision on eligibility and training allowance is dependent on the Canada Manpower Centre in the individual's area.

#### JOB PLACEMENT

Graduates who have satisfactorily completed the course will be assisted in finding employment by the Canada Farm Labour Pools throughout Ontario and by the Agricultural Manpower Services of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food. Job opportunities are available across Ontario. Successful candidates should be prepared to accept employment wherever job opportunities exist.

## SALARIES AND BENEFITS

Wages from farm employment, depending on experience, can compare quite favorably with wages in other industries. For the single person, accommodation with the farm family including board and laundry may be provided. For married persons, benefits can include house, heat, hydro, and in some cases, milk, meat and a vegetable garden.

Time off, vacation, hours of work, etc., should be discussed by employer and employee at the time of hiring.

### For Further Information Contact: -

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A Canada Farm Labour Pool in your area

Your nearest Canada Manpower Centre

Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food Agricultural Manpower Services Legislative Buildings

Toronto, Ontario M7A 1B1 Telephone: (416) 965-6149

This course has been approved by members of the Federal-Provincial Agricultural Manpower Committee representing the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food and farm organizations.

